

## CLAIMS

I claim:

1. A method of darkening faded garments comprising the steps of:
  - providing a quantity of black dye;
  - providing a quantity of sodium chloride salt;
  - providing a quantity of water;
  - mixing together said black dye, said salt and said water together to define a mixture;
  - placing the garments into a washing machine and pouring said mixture onto said garments; and
  - washing said garments in said washing machine with said mixture.
2. The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 1, wherein said step of providing water includes said water having a temperature of less than 20 degrees Celsius.
3. The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 1, wherein said mixture includes a ratio of 45% black dye, 45 % water, and 10% salt by volume.

4. The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 1, wherein said mixture includes a ratio of 40% to 50% black dye, 40% to 50% water, and 5% to 15% salt by volume.

5. A method of darkening faded garments comprising the steps of:

providing a quantity of black dye;  
providing a quantity of sodium chloride salt;  
providing a quantity of water, said water having a temperature of less than 20 degrees Celsius;  
mixing together said black dye, said salt and said water together in a ratio of 45% black dye, 45 % water, and 10% salt by volume to define a mixture;  
placing the garments into a washing machine and pouring 1 1/8 cups of said mixture onto said garments; and  
washing said garments in said washing machine with said mixture.

6. A method of making a mixture for use in darkening faded garments comprising the steps of:

providing a quantity of black dye;  
providing a quantity of sodium chloride salt;  
providing a quantity of water,  
mixing together said black dye, said salt and said water together to define a mixture; and  
pouring said mixture in a container.

7. The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 6, wherein said mixture includes a ratio of 40% to 50% black dye, 40% to 50% water, and 5% to 15% salt by volume.

8. The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 7, wherein said step of providing water includes said water having a temperature of less than 20 degrees Celsius.

9. The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 8, wherein said step of providing water includes said water having a temperature of less than 20 degrees Celsius.

With respect to the above description then, it is to be realized that the optimum dimensional relationships for the parts of the invention, to include variations in size, materials, shape, form, function and manner of operation, assembly and use, are deemed  
5 readily apparent and obvious to one skilled in the art, and all equivalent relationships to those illustrated in the drawings and described in the specification are intended to be encompassed by the present invention.

10 Therefore, the foregoing is considered as illustrative only of the principles of the invention. Further, since numerous modifications and changes will readily occur to those skilled in the art, it is not desired to limit the invention to the exact construction and operation shown and described, and accordingly, all suitable  
15 modifications and equivalents may be resorted to, falling within the scope of the invention.